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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 30, 2006, FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated August 30, 2006. In that Final Office Action, a three month shortened statutory period was set for response. Applicants hereby petition for the necessary extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorize that the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 in connection with this Amendment be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2955. The extension of time fee is paid by the enclosed Fee Transmittal Form. Furthermore, if it is determined that any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this Amendment, authorization is hereby given to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.